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1. Statemen	t				
Nove	elty (N)	Claims	1-19		YES
		Claims			NO
Inve	ntive step (IS)	Claims	1-19		YES
		Claims			NO
Indu	strial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-19		YES
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2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Documents cited in the International Search Report:

- D1. US 2003191856 A1
- D2. WO 03094028 A1
- D3. WO 03093926 A2

The cited documents represent the general state of the art. The invention defined in claims 1-19 is not disclosed by any of these documents.

The cited prior art does not give any indication that would lead a person skilled in the art to the claimed method for efficient routing in a multiple hop wireless communication network. Therefore, the claimed invention is not obvious to a person skilled in the art.

Accordingly, the invention defined in claims 1-19 is novel and is considered to involve an inventive step. The invention is industrially applicable.